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(*b*) what the number of licences cancelled is and the reasons for such cancellation?

A.—(*a*) & (*b*) The Government have no information.

Mr. U. C. SUBRAHMANYA BHATT:—"Sir, as the matter is a very serious one since nearly 500 gun licences have been cancelled, may I know why the Government have not called for the information?"

The hon. Khan Bahadur Sir MAHOMED USMAN SAHIB Bahadur:—"Before I make up my mind to call for the information, I should like to know for what period the information is needed. The question is not clear."

Mr. U. C. SUBRAHMANYA BHATT:—"May I know whether any gun licences were cancelled this year?"

The hon. Khan Bahadur Sir MAHOMED USMAN SAHIB Bahadur:—"I want notice."

Cancellation of the gun licence granted to Mr. Chattukutti Nayar.

*650 *Q.*—BASHEER AHMED SAYEED SAHIB Bahadur: Will the hon. the Home Member be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that the gun licence granted to Chattukutti Nayar, son in-law of the Raja of Nilambur, was cancelled and the gun confiscated suddenly;

(*b*) if so, who was responsible for such cancellation of the licence and what was the reason or justification for the same; and what was the purpose for which the licence was originally granted; and

(*c*) whether a list of all the persons whose gun licences have been cancelled in Tellicherry together with the reasons therefor will be placed on the table of the House?

A.—(*a*), (*b*) & (*c*) The Government have no information.

B. POCKER SAHIB Bahadur:—"Will the Government be pleased to call for the information?"

The hon. Khan Bahadur Sir MAHOMED USMAN SAHIB Bahadur:—"I do not think we should call for the information, because Mr. Chattukutti Nayar has got the right of appeal. It is better that he exercises that right first"

B. POCKER SAHIB Bahadur:—"May I know whether he has appealed?"

The hon. Khan Bahadur Sir MAHOMED USMAN SAHIB Bahadur:—"He has not appealed so far as I know."

Depressed Classes

Proposed acquisition of lands for the extension of the Ekambaranallur cheri.

*651 *Q*—Mr V. M. RAMASWAMI MUDALIYAR: Will the hon. the Home Member be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that valuable wet lands measuring about 1·47 acres are sought to be acquired for the extension of the cheri site in Ekambaranallur of Wallajah taluk;